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Dear Examiner BAUM:

In response to the Office Action mailed 02/02/2006, please amend the above-identified application and reconsider the patentability of the invention in light of the arguments and amendments presented herein. Applicant submits the following in complete response thereto.

The Office is authorized to charge **Deposit Account # 19-0131** for any necessary fees regarding this response, including any necessary extensions of time for filing a reply.